PATENT #6

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re:

Agris, et al.

Examiner: Unknown

Serial No.:

09/747,467

Group Art Unit: 1645

Filed:

December 22, 2000

For:

METHODS AND COMPOSITIONS FOR DETERMINING THE PURITY

OF CHEMICALLY SYNTHESIZED NUCLEIC ACIDS

October 1, 2001

Commissioner for Patents Washington, DC 20231

PETITION AND FEE FOR EXTENSION OF TIME (37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a))

1. This is a petition for an extension of time for a total period of four (4) months to respond to the Notification to File Missing Parts dated March 29, 2001.

2. A response in connection with the matter for which this extension is requested:

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has been filed.

3. Applicant:

Claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27.

Does not claim small entity status.

4. Calculation of extension fee (37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a)-(d)):

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Fee Enclosed \$720.00

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or credit for any excess fee paid.

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✓ A check in the amount of \$720.00 to cover the fee is enclosed.
 ✓ Payment by credit card (Form PTO-2038) is enclosed.
 ✓ Charge Deposit Account No. 50-0220 for any additional extension and/or fee required

Respectfully submitted

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CERTIFICATE OF MAILING

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service as first class mail in an envelope addressed to: Commissioner For Patents, Washington, DC 20231, on October 1, 2001.

Vickie Diane Prior

Date of Signature: October 1, 2001